

RESEARCH BRIEF

The purpose of this study was to understand the impact COVID-19 public health restrictions had on frontline service providers who work with individuals with complex needs. A special thank you is owed to the frontline care staff working with individuals with FASD in the Edmonton area who agreed to participate in this study.

What is Different in Your Work because of COVID-19?

Procedure	Interactions
<i>My Work is Unpredictable:</i> "it seemed like every other day we were making a change."	There are New Barriers to Reaching Clients: "our clients sometimes have disabilities and sometimes they don't and so the virtual world doesn't always work for them."
<i>My Job Responsibilities Have Changed:</i> "there's additional tasks that have been added."	<i>There are Changes to the Type of Support I Can</i> <i>Provide:</i> "It's hard, it's just hard to connect."



Frontline care staff have had to adapt their work during the COVID-19 pandemic. This has affected their work and how they feel about it. Our plan is to continue to support these workers through **professional development** and the creation of a **motivational tool**.

Please check our website <u>here</u> as more information on this ongoing project becomes available.

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